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Interferences from the last decision of the examiner. The claims on appeal are 22-32, 34  
and 35.

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- ☐ Application claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
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- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be  
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enclosed.
- ☒ **CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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